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<b>Title:</b>	SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR GRACEFUL SHUTDOWN OF HOST PROCESSOR CARDS IN A SERVER SYSTEM		

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

**Mail Stop RCE**  
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Dear Sir:

This is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed October 4, 2006 and in support of the concurrently filed Request for Continued Examination. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: